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DEATHS.
 On the 20th May, at No. 4, Leighton Hill Road, Hongkong, MAHIAH MADAR, the dearly beloved wife of SHEIK ADDOOL RAMSAY, aged 27 years Deeply regretted. [1518]
 On the 16th May, at 21, Kwanming Road, Shanghai, BRIDGET SMART, late matron, Military Female Hospital, Hongkong, aged 68 years.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DE-VILLE ROAD, C.I., LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 23rd May, 1903.

It will be seen from what we wrote regarding the action of the Indian Government in closing the Mints without giving previous notice that the Government was at once, whether it liked it or not, placed in opposition to the banks. The banks had been doing their best to render the scheme of the Government impossible, and the Government, equally determined, had in effect cornered the banks. The situation was unfortunate for both, but the Government feeling that it could not afford to upset the current trade of the country by a paralysis, however temporary, of its banking facilities, came to a compromise, and relieved the banks of sufficient silver to coin twenty million rupees. It is possible that the step taken was in the long run advantageous but its immediate effect was near being disastrous. A second step is not so easily explained; for what reason does not appear, the Government withdrew from the currency reserve another 20 million rupees, which it at once put on the open market. The effect was to inflate a currency already in excess, as well as to stultify its previous action. The Government, following up the remainder of its project, instead of as usual providing for its sterling needs by selling in London the usual amount of rupee bills payable in India, met its indebtedness by sterling loans at home. There is no doubt that had the Indian Government had the courage of its convictions, and refused to issue any more rupees under 1s. 4d. the usual wear and tear of the circulation would have quickly

brought about the artificial scarcity looked for, and at once induced an upward tendency; the issue of the 40 million rupees over and above requirements produced something approaching a panic. For four years the rupee constantly and persistently fell. The Government found too that the withdrawal of the sales of government paper in London had a detrimental effect on the exports from the Indian ports, so that it had to begin again selling its bills at any rate the market would allow. The consequence was that it was not till the close of 1897 that the effects of the suicidal over-issue passed off, with a loss meanwhile to the Government certainly approaching 40 millions sterling. It would in fact have been far cheaper for the Government to have purchased the forty million rupees from the banks at its own rate of 1s. 4d. and sold them afterwards at any loss, than to have permitted them to have gone to swell the already overloaded currency. At last in the year 1898 the long expected goal was reached; rupees once more stood at 1s. 4d. and for all practical purposes the evil of fluctuating exchange, which for so many years has reduced all trading in the East to the level of a gamble was, so far as India is concerned, eliminated. The exchange, thanks to the better arrangements now made by the Indian Government, has become automatic. The Rupee can only rise a fraction above 1s. 6d. because the Government is always ready to release rupees from reserves on the payment of the equivalent amount of gold, which may be done as well in London as on the spot, the Government agents at once telegraphing out the amount deposited. As there is no possibility of obtaining coined rupees at any cheaper rate the coin can likewise only fall a fraction below the selling rate. Of course if from any unexpected cause silver were to rise in the open market to its old rates, the settlement would have to be rearranged; the possibility is, however, so slender that little thought has been expended on the subject.

So much for the currency; the more important question for the world at large still remains. What has been the effect on trade and on the financial position of the country generally? Here Mr. ROBERTSON makes some pertinent remarks. "Statements," he says, "have been circulated very widely in both the English and the Indian Press that the Government, in order to keep up the rate of exchange for their payments in gold, have sacrificed the interests of the trading, the agricultural, and industrial classes. Fortunately, though these statements are vague, they are capable of being brought to a complete test." What do Indian products, then, command under the new system, and do they show any indication of diminishing? "Almost," he truly adds, "the whole influence that currency can exercise in a country working on civilised methods, is to raise or lower the average prices to be obtained for commodities, or what is the same thing, to make money more abundant or less abundant." Taking the rupee as the standard, and calling prices obtained for the leading articles of Indian production in 1873, 100, we find them in 1900-02 at 107-03. True, in 1893 they were counted at 120, but the rupee in 1900 worth 1s. 6d. was in 1893 worth less than 1s. 4d. The product is practically identical. But 1893 was an exceptional year, the highest of the whole series. Again, exception might be taken to this as a reduction to a gold standard, and it might be alleged that owing to the appreciation meanwhile of gold fewer commodities could be purchased in return for these Indian goods. Here again the balance though slight is distinctly in favour of India. In the ten years 1867-1877 the selling value of the 43 articles most in demand in London was calculated at 100, in 1901 it was 70. The rupee's worth of Indian goods would actually exchange for 30 per cent. more European goods than 30 years before. Even in 1893, the worst absolutely for comparison, the London arbitrated rate was 68, so that absolutely no change of level had occurred since the closing of the Mints. But the selling prices of two of the most important of Indian exports, tea and indigo, have seriously fallen in India since the closing of the Mints, and that, of course, has had a tendency to reduce the average value of exports. True, but has the alteration of the currency had anything to say to either? The causes which have affected each are simple, and well known. Indigo has fallen in price because now it has to compete against an artificially manufactured article, not because the change of currency has had any effect in lowering the home price. Tea, like all recently introduced articles of trade has been suffering from over-stimulation. Twenty years ago China had a practical monopoly of the tea trade; India found that she could compete on better than equal terms, and the export went up year by year. The effect was to say to either?

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more realms to conquer: the time for leaping had past, but India did not at once appreciate the fact and continued the increase. The inevitable followed, and India is has either to curtail her export, or open other markets. To be able to maintain under these circumstances the present high average level of prices for her products is a strong proof that Indian trade has advanced under the improved currency. This is, in fact, what reason would lead us to expect.

The labour of exchange prior to the adoption of the single standard acted as a heavy break on every mercantile transaction wherein India engaged. Friction can only be encountered by a wasteful loss of energy, yet that friction had to be incurred in every transaction, however trifling, between India and foreign countries, whether east or west. Between India and Europe this one cause, perhaps of all the heaviest, of friction, has been removed, and in consequence the body of business, which under a falling exchange grew sickly, is recovering, and trade and prices look upwards. This is the outcome of the act of the Indian Government in bringing its currency within limits as compared with the trade for which it is required. Any other currency is subject to the same general laws. We need not be told the effects of a depreciated paper currency; why should we expect others when silver is the medium? The same, though in a less marked degree, would take place did the over-issue take place in gold.

H.M. cruiser Europa with time-expired men from this Station left for home yesterday morning.

Yesterday's plague return gave nineteen cases, bringing the year's total up to 765. Nine of yesterday's cases were dumped.

To-day, the competition in connection with the Hongkong Riffs Association will be for spoons, and will commence at 2.30 p.m. The ranges are 200, 500, and 800 yards.

A small outbreak of fire occurred in the American Match Factory, Hunghom, on Thursday night, but was extinguished by the inmates and the police before the damage had exceeded \$100.

The regimental sports of the Sherwood Foresters came to a conclusion yesterday afternoon, and were attended during the day by a large number of spectators. The sports are to be an annual affair.

R. P. Moffit, who has pleaded guilty to embezzling over \$10,000 belonging to the Dairy Farm Co. Ltd., was brought up at the Police Court yesterday before Mr. F. A. Hazelton and further remanded until Tuesday next at 10 a.m.

Mr. Charles Hannan, formerly Commissioner of Chinese Customs, brother of the late Judge Hannan, is dramatising his novel *The Captive of Peking*, and it will shortly be produced. The play is in five acts and the scenes are laid in Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai, and Peking. The scenery is to be painted from sketches taken from life.

Chief Detective Inspector W. Hanson, accompanied by his wife, returned to the Colony yesterday by the *Chusan*, looking very fit and well after a year's sojourn in the old country. At the Central Police Station Mr. Hanson had quite an ordeal of handshaking to go through, a tribute to the general esteem in which he is held in the Colony's Police Force.

The secretary of the Tang On Fire Insurance Company writes to point out that the first floor of 83, Second Street, where damage to the estimated extent of about \$1,000 was done by a fire which broke out on Thursday morning, is not insured with that Company, as stated in our account of the outbreak. The information, we may add, came in the first instance from official sources.

August Andersen, the Norwegian watchman at Quarry Bay shipyard who was responsible for the other day at the Magistracy on a charge of assaulting a Chinaman under circumstances already detailed in these columns, was again brought up yesterday before Mr. J. H. Kemp and fined \$50 or two months for the assault, and \$25 compensation to the complainant, with the alternative of one month's imprisonment, the sentence to be consecutive. He went to prison.

By permission of Major Radcliffe and Officers, the band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel this evening, from 8 to 9.30. The programme is as follows:

March..... "The Uhlan's Call"..... Elsinboro Entacute..... "Nini"..... Clarke Selection..... "Reminiscences of Wales"..... Godfrey Song..... "Beloved, it is 'O'"..... Aylward Selection..... "A Chinese Honey"..... Talbot and moon"..... Danne Waltz..... "Mor Secret"..... Costa Dance..... "Barn Dance"..... Hall

The German Asiatic Railway Company, Limited, was incorporated at Berlin on the 21st ult. The Company, which has been formed to carry out the construction of Chinese State railways, the financing of which will be undertaken by the Deutsch-Asiatische Bank and allied banking firms, has a nominal capital of 10,000,000 m. (250,000,000), of which amount 25 per cent. has already been paid up. Herr Hansmann has been elected chairman of the Company, and Herr Frentzel vice-chairman. Herren Fischer and Gaderis have been appointed managers, and Herren Michalowsky and Behrerd Erich deputy-managers.

Captain V. E. H. Lindsey of the Indian Medical Service, has been awarded the Royal Humane Society's medal for rescuing a man of the 4th Gurkha Rifles from the Peiho River in July last.

Dr. Yerzin, one of the most able of Pasteur's pupils, is on leave in France, after several years of hard work in Indo-China. Dr. Yerzin speaks of the Andamans as apt pupils and intelligent workers; in fact, they work always

The Italian cruiser *Vettor Pisani* is on the way out. The cruiser has Admiral Mirabello, the new commander of the Italian naval division in the Far East, on board. On the arrival of the *Vettor Pisani* the division will consist of four vessels, the other three being the *Lombardia*, *Piemonte*, and *Cabotia*.

It is believed, says a home paper, that when the *Centurion* has completed her refit and overhaul she will return to the China Station, relieving the *Goliath*. Thus another of the *Catopus* class is returning home after a short spell of service. Whether this means that she has also given trouble, or whether it is merely that the Admiralty contemplates a new distribution of ships, it is difficult at present to say. But seeing that the homogeneity of the China Squadron would be thus broken up, the former alternative seems the most likely.

A cartoon by "Spy" in one of the April issues of *Vanity Fair* was of Sir Ernest Salow, G.C.M.G., who is styled "Peking." It is a very good likeness. In the accompanying sketch Jeju Junior states that the five years of quiet diplomacy in Japan prepared him for the hard times which were in store for him. "For after the Boxer outbreak it was imperative that a strong man should be sent to Peking, and Sir Ernest was chosen; recent events in that quarter of the world bearing evidence of his unsual tact and diplomatic skill. He is an Oriental scholar, who probably understands the Japanese as well as any living Englishman may."

Mr. James W. White, 1st assistant teacher of Building Construction at the Municipal Technical Institute, Portsmouth, who has been appointed Assistant-Surveyor Royal Engineers (Civil Staff), at Hongkong, took much interest and an active part in Wesleyan work in Portsea, and was held in high esteem, especially by the members of the Wesleyan body. Before Mr. White left Portsmouth we learn from a home paper that he was presented by his friends in that communion with a very handsome travelling bag, as a token of their regard; and he has with him in the Far East the best wishes of his Portsea friends.

St. Petersburg advises point out that Russia has lost no time and spared no outlay of money in making a most useful naval station out of Port Arthur. Remarkable progress has been made in the work of deepening the inner roadstead, for which the Government granted the sum of £1,350,000. Altogether during 1902 the dredgers removed 253,063 cubic fathoms from the bottom of the roadsteads, one portion of which had been deepened to such an extent by last November that the three Russian ironclads *Poltava*, *Sebastopol*, and *Peresvet*, with the cruiser *Varyag*, could ride at anchor there together. So great has been the progress made this year that at present eight large ironclads and an entire flotilla of torpedo-boats can ride at anchor over the spot where only a little while ago the Chinese used to hunt for mussels at low tide.

They pleaded not guilty.

Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., on behalf of the Acting Attorney-General, conducted the prosecution, being instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. H. T. Wilgress, D. H. Cameron, A. G. Aegeir, J. Lee, J. P. Xavier, W. Clark and W. F. Hill.

Evidence was taken.

The jury without retiring returned a verdict of guilty against the prisoners.

Mr. Lordship is passing sentence of five years' imprisonment with 20 strokes of the birch upon each of the prisoners said that the crime of highway robbery was too common and would have to be stopped.

The Court rose.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE CHINESE THEATRES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 22nd May.

The Singapore Free Press gives prominence to an announcement that the Government of the Federated Malay States are about to impose a prohibitory duty on exports of tin ore outside the Colony. It is well known, our contemporary says, that an American syndicate aims at buying up tin ore in the Straits, shipping it to New York, and there smelting and refining it for the market. As at present America takes 70 per cent. of the whole of the Straits production it is obvious that the American scheme would have a damaging effect upon the Colony.

In now dropping this discussion, I desire to offer my thanks to "Scallywag" for his very able co-operation in this matter. My object has been to draw public attention to a measure that is calculated to inflict a hardship on an afflicted class without doing good to any one—a measure that no other city has seen fit to adopt, and the utility of which has been proved here. In my efforts to make this plain to your readers and to the powers that be with whom the decision rests, I must acknowledge I have received most valuable assistance from "Scallywag." Yours, etc.

"COMMON SENSE."

[This correspondence is now closed.—ED. D.P.]

SINGAPORE AND SHIPS' DOCTORS.

At a meeting of the Legislative Council at Singapore on the 15th inst., the Attorney-General in introducing the Chinese Immigrants Ordinance Amendment Bill said the object was to obviate the difficulty found in providing Chinese immigrant ships with doctors. The alterations in this amendment put European, American and Japanese qualifications on an equal footing and made all except British qualifications subject to the approval of the Governor in Council. The Bill also made some verbal alterations in section 19, these having been suggested by the Protector of Chinese. The amendment added something to the difficulties of the Governor in Council, but he believed it was a fair working definition.

The Acting Colonial Secretary having seconded the motion, the Bill was read a first time and moved for the second reading at next meeting.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

GREAT BRITAIN AND CHINA.

LONDON, 20th May.

The Washington State Department has learned that Great Britain has notified China of her willingness to accord the same terms in regard to the indemnity as the United States.

THE UNITED STATES AND MANCHURIA.

LONDON, 20th May.

It is semi-officially stated that the United States are prepared to insist to the end on American goods receiving the same treatment in Manchuria as Russian.

BULGARIA.

LONDON, 20th May.

The New Bulgarian Cabinet is more friendly to Turkey and less subservient to Russia than its predecessors.

SUICIDE OF A CRICKETER.

LONDON, 20th May.

Mr. Shrewsbury, the cricketer, has committed suicide with a revolver; bad health is supposed to be the cause of the act.

THE UNITED STATES EXCHANGE COMMISSION.

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AFFAIRS IN JAPAN.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

RUSSIA'S DISQUIETING CONDUCT.

Tokyo, 11th May.

A most alarming piece of news was received here on Sunday. It was to the effect that Prince Ching had received a telegraphic report saying that 14,000 Russian troops with 16 guns had been unexpectedly distributed on both banks of the Liao river, and that they had been engaged in the work of erecting fortifications at Tien-chwang-tai.

It was also stated that the United States Consul at Newchwang had telegraphed under date of the 5th inst. to Mr. Congor at Peking that a large number of Russian soldiers had again entered the town of Newchwang, that they had already occupied the forts at the mouth of the Liao river and were going to take possession of those at Tien-chwang-tai, and that 14,000 Russian soldiers had been distributed at several places along the sea-coast between Newchwang and Port Arthur.

Even staid journals like the *Asahi* and the *Jiji* beat their heads when these tidings became public property, and the Foreign Office was so excited that it immediately telegraphed to the Japanese Consul at Newchwang asking him to investigate the report. Luckily the Consul was able to wire back at once saying that the statement was groundless.

Incidents like this lead one to conclude that there must be a good deal of exaggeration in the yarns which many of the Japanese newspaper correspondents in China are sending home in such hot haste. In many instances we can see for ourselves that the nervous tension here is sufficiently great to make ordinary things assume ominous appearances, and there is no reason why the same cause should not produce the same result in matters occurring away in the interior of Manchuria and Corea and of which we have no direct cognizance. To mention some things that come directly under our observation, the Japanese Press—including even the *Jiji Shimpō*, one of the most temperate and judicious organs in the capital—mention as a suspicious circumstance the fact that the last *Empress* steamer, which was said to have had on board one thousand tons of provisions for the Russian troops, hurried away to Nagasaki without calling at Kōtō, the inference being that the Russians wanted their provisions at once. In fact, some Japanese papers declared that the *Empress* had gone on to Port Arthur, a course to which her passengers would, it is to be presumed, take objection. Now the agents of the said boat had announced more than a week before that she would not stop at Kōtō on account of some delay that took place in her departure from Vancouver owing to the late arrival of the mail. Besides, it would show a great want of foresight on the part of the Russians to be making such a fuss about provisions at such a critical time and to be placing orders for the same in Japan and in the country of Japan's ally, if they really contemplated a war with Japan.

Then, again, there is a good deal to be said against the alarmists who are telling us of Russian aggression in Corea. Mr. Bryner has got a timber concession on the Yalu and he has imported some Russians to work it. These Russians are suspected of being soldiers in disguise, but that is by no means certain, especially as the Japanese Minister to Corea does not make any allegation of this nature in his notes to the Korean Foreign Office on this question. The Japanese newspaper correspondents are quite positive, however. They say that they have seen the men going up and down the river in steam-launch and that, though they were all dressed in civilian attire, they bore on their persons unmistakable tokens of having recently donned their uniforms. I could go on for columns giving instances of this kind and might in the end succeed in persuading myself and perhaps some of your readers that things are quite normal; but unfortunately the fact remains that one responsible statesman has expressed himself to one interviewer to the effect that "Russia's disquieting conduct has caused the most profound surprise in official circles here." Moreover, a Cabinet Council was held yesterday (Monday, May 11) at which two outsiders—Marquis Ito and Marshal Marquis Yamagata—were present; and this is the second Cabinet Council of the kind that has been held during the last fortnight. Again, on last Saturday Marquis Ito hinted very slightly—but with the Japanese there is no such thing as a broad hint, it would be too inaccurate—that union was never more necessary than at present. According to the *Japan Times*, he congratulated his fellow-members of the *Seiyū Kai* on the power of acting in unity just shown by them—a result which he did not hesitate to regard as an indication of the great improvement that had taken place in party politics in Japan. Never was unity so strong as now. He did not mean to refer particularly to the existing condition of affairs in the Far East. But, looking ahead, it was evident that in the course of the next ten or twenty years important changes might be expected. He, therefore, hoped that the members of the *Seiyū Kai* would not fail always to realize the grave importance of their responsibilities, and that by wise unity they would endeavor to promote the best interests of the country.

Finally, the fact that Russia is still in Newchwang and that thirty Russian ships-of-war are now assembled at Port Arthur goes to prove pretty conclusively that matters are not quite normal.

The *Japan Times* gives the view entertained by the very soberest section of the Japanese Press when it says that:

"If matters in Manchuria have not grown very much worse, they remain at least as

unatisfactory as ever. While maintaining a threatening attitude in Manchuria, Russia is, it is believed, trying very hard to make China sign a secret Convention which is only different from the one originally presented in having three articles instead of seven. The nature of the newly professed Convention has not yet been divulged, but an impression prevails that it is as objectionable as the former one. The situation is becoming intolerable. How long are we to put up with this sort of thing? This is the question which is beginning to be asked on all sides. Unless, therefore, something turns up to clear away the ominous clouds now oppressively hanging over our heads, it is to be seriously feared that the strongest statesmen will find it difficult to restrain the growing unreasonableness of the people."

A SURPRISE FOR RUSSIA.

It was broken out between Japan and Russia at the present juncture, Russia will be very disagreeably surprised by the completeness of the arrangements that China has entered into with Japan. It seems at first sight that Japan would only injure herself seriously in the eyes of the world by allying herself with decadent China and that, in the next place, she would be doing so only give Russia an opportunity to grab huge chunks of Tibet, Turkestan, and Mongolia, away inland where Japan could not support her ally. As to the first objection it will not hold water, inasmuch as "good Europeans" like England, and the United States, are showing their readiness to preserve the territorial integrity of China almost at the cost of war.

In the second place Russia is not so strong perhaps on the Chinese frontier as has been supposed, and she may be content to be able to hold her own there especially in case the Chinese armies guarding the frontiers are led by Japanese. The decisive fight between Japan and Russia will take place in Corea and the Liaotung Peninsula, and Russia will be ill-equipped for that fight if her railway system is constantly being broken, her telegraph lines torn up and her communications interrupted by banditti (in case China is "neutral") or by regular Chinese armies (in case China declares war or has war declared against her). Russia may not, in the latter case, find it so easy as General Rennenkampf and his 300 Cossacks did in 1900 to cut through Manchuria to the very heart of the knife cuts through butter. China was then a "wee bit" distracted by happenings elsewhere; this time she will have a man of Yuan Shikai's calibre to direct her warlike forces.

Talking of Viceroy Yuan, it is certain that he at any rate keeps in good touch with the Japanese. There are now about 30 Japanese serving under him at Pao-ting-fu and seven of them have received, according to an account that has recently appeared in the *Yomiuri* newspaper, Chinese decorations ranging between the 3rd grade and the 5th grade of the Order of the Precious Star. These decorations were conferred on them when their Majesties the Chinese Emperor and the Empress-Dowager recently stopped at that town on their way from Siliang to Peking.

Viceroy Yuan is said to have ennobled his Japanese employees in the presence of their Majesties; and when the Imperial cortège was about to leave Pao-ting-fu, they were allowed to approach the Imperial carriage and have an audience of the Emperor—an honour that is never granted under such circumstances in China except in the case of Princes of the Blood.

To conclude with China some arrangements that would become operative in case of war, Viscount Aoki, ex-Minister for Foreign Affairs, was recently despatched to Peking, and the Russians naturally regarded him with great suspicion—and justly so—as being entrusted with some important mission. He has just now returned, and it is a little significant that a high Chinese official, Prince Tani Chen, is here also, with a large train. He professes, of course, to be engaged in an investigation of the currency system; but it was not to be expected that he would reveal the real object of his mission.

RUSSIA ON THE COREAN BORDER.

The movements of Russia on the Corean frontier are exciting great uneasiness in Japan. The Japanese military attaché at Seoul wires home that the Prefect of Antung-haien was told by the foreign official in Shanghai from the office of the Imperial Chinese Telegraph in Shanghai is so significant that it requires no comment at present.

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to pursue the brigands in Manchuria, as they have proved to be more devoted to the Russian authorities than the Chinese authorities have been. The latter intrigued against the mounted highwaymen and laid the blame of many misunderstandings and troubles at their door; and it is said that the intrigues of the Chinese are fully proved by documents (now in possession of the Russian authorities). No repressive measures will be taken in future against these highwaymen, unless they attack the persons or property of Russians."

I send you the Russian clipping in order that you may see for yourself that my translation is correct. The paragraph throws a strong light on Russia's doings in Manchuria.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vernon & Smythe in their weekly share report, dated Hongkong, 22nd May, 1903—Business generally continues dull, and our market closes for the week without any feature of special interest to report.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai have again changed hands in small lots at \$670. London is masterful at £1.33. Nationals are required for £2.26.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions have declined to 85½ sellers. China Traders have been booked at \$60 and continue in request. North China have improved in the North to Th. 210 bayers. Yangtze can be placed in small lots at \$130, and Cantons at the improved rate of \$174 after sales at \$170.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong have advanced to \$315 with buyers. China have been taken off the market at \$84 and further small lots are wanted at this rate.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have again been done at \$374 at which our market close steady. Indo-China were dealt with extensively in the early part of the week at prices ranging between \$104 and \$108 each and equivalent rates forward up to August, the market then easing off to \$106 at which we close with some sales and probable buyers.

MINING.—Punjungs are on offer at \$3. Jelebus are quiet at \$1. Raubs have declined to \$9½ sellers.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have been booked at \$214 and \$213, and close with probable buyers at the latter rate. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves have declined to \$88 sellers. New Amoy Docks continue in request at \$40. Farm hams are unchanged at Th. 187½ sellers.

LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have sold at \$170 and close with sellers at this figure. Kowloon Lands continue on offer at \$40. West Points have improved to \$52 at which there are buyers. Hongkong Hotels have been disposed of at \$150, but have since eased off to \$148 at which there are probable buyers. Orienta Hotels are somewhat firmer with buyers at \$30. Humphreys Estates can be placed to some extent at \$124 after sales at this rate and \$124.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewos have declined to Th. 38 sellers, others northern stocks remaining unchanged at last quotations. Hongkong Cottons continue in request at \$16.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Island Cements have been booked at \$224 and can still be placed at this figure. Ropes have improved to \$125 buyers, and Steam Waterboats to \$124 buyers ex the interim dividend of 6 per cent. paid on the 16th instant. Dairy Farms can be placed at \$113, and Bells Asbestos at the improved rate of \$4. Powells have been booked at \$10, and China Provinces at \$9.90.

MEMOS.—A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., ordinary yearly meeting on the 28th instant, China Light and Power Co., Ltd., ordinary yearly meeting on the 30th instant; transfer books will be closed from the 28th to the 30th instant, both days inclusive.

THE CONQUEST OF MANCHURIA.

The following is taken from the *N.C. Daily News*:

Mr. Plancon, the Russian *Chargé d'Affaires* at Peking, has denied, as we are informed, that he ever told the correspondent of the Japanese vernacular paper, the *Jiji*, "that Russia, weary of the troubles resulting from her present undefined status in Manchuria, had determined to add the three provinces definitely to her empire"; and we are quite ready to believe that Mr. Plancon never told the *Jiji* man this for publication.

Facts, however, are stronger than words, and the following memorandum, sent to a foreign official in Shanghai from the office of the Imperial Chinese Telegraph in Shanghai is so significant that it requires no comment at present:

"In regard to the charge to Peking, in the old time it was 35 cents a word, but since the Russians have occupied Manchuria the charge has been increased to one dollar and ten cents, as they treat Manchuria the same as Russia-in-Asia."

CHURCH SERVICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

May 24th; Sunday after Ascension Day. Holy Communion 7.30 a.m. Matins (11 a.m.).

Responses, Tallis; Venite, Novello; Psalms, Camidge, Kinkes, and Travers; Te Deum, 90; Baker in E; Benedictus Goss in E (7th E); Hymns, 147, 202, and 148 (Part 1).

Evensong (5.45 p.m.).

Responses, Tallis; Psalm, Fetherby, Nares, Rimbold, and Hindle; Magnificat, Goss in F (2nd M.); Nunc Dimittis, Kelway in D (3rd M.); Hymns, 150, 207, and 304; Vesper, Hyatt, Ward (No. 1); Voluntary, "Lift up your heads," (Messiah) Hendel.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

Queen's Road West.

Matins (11 a.m.).

Venite, Battishill; Te Deum, Russell; Benedic, Tuile; Hymns, 4, 147, 319, and 143.

Evensong (6.30 p.m.).

Magnificat, Goss; Nunc Dimittis, Steiner; Hymns, 149, 227, 600, and 227.

The Church launch *Davering* calls on ships carrying white crews between 9.15 and 10.30 a.m. and between 5.15 and 6 p.m. (Kowloon Police Pier 10-30 and 6), to bring friends ashore to the services. The "Answering Pennant" is on the flag. All the sittings are free and unappropriated. Strangers welcome. Sunday School 10-10.45 a.m.

SIBERIAN NEWS.

I take the following cutting from the Vladivostok of April 26:

"It is said that orders have been received not

SIR ROBERT HART'S DECORATIONS.

Mei Lo Pin writes from London the following letter to the *Ulster Echo*:

"With reference to the interesting paragraph stating that the King of Portugal proposes to invest Lord Milner with the Grand Cross of the Order of Christ of Portugal, I wish to point out that should his lordship receive this coveted distinction, he will not be the only British subject so honoured of recent years, because Sir Robert Hart, Bart., G.C.M.G., M.A., LL.D., the brilliant Irish Inspector-General of Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs, was presented with the Grand Cross of the above-mentioned ancient decoration in the year 1883.

I may also mention that Sir Robert possesses the Grand Cross of three other famous European Orders, to wit—the Grand Cross of the Order of Francis Joseph, Austria, which was given to him in 1873; the Grand Cross of the Order of the Polar Star, which Norway bestowed upon him in 1894; and in 1897 he received from Holland the Grand Cross of the Order of Orange Nassau. Furthermore, your distinguished fellow-countryman has been a Grand Officer of the Order of the Crown of Italy since 1884, a Grand Officer of the Legion of Honour, France, since 1885; and in the year 1893 Prussia honoured him by creating him a Grand Officer of the Order of Leopold. The foregoing illustrious list does not exhaust the roll of this richly decorated Irish Baronet's honours, as so far as 1870 was made a Chevalier of the Order of Wasa, Sweden-Norway; and in the year 1900 the Order of the Crown, first-class, Prussia, was granted to him by creating him a Grand Officer of the Order of Leopold. 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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE COMPETITION TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 23rd instant, will be for SPOONS, commencing at 2.30 P.M. Ranges 200, 500 and 600 yards. 7 shots and a sighter at each range.

M. S. NORTHCOTE,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903. [110]

VICTORIA PRECEPTORY AND PRIORY.

A REGULAR MEETING of the VICTORIA PRECEPTORY AND PRIORY will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, on TUESDAY, the 26th instant, at 8.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Sir Knights are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903. [1516]

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE STATUTORY MEETING of the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 4, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, on SATURDAY, the 6th JUNE, at NOON.

J. WHELEY,

General Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1903. [1511]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, for account of the concerned, TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 23rd May, 1903, at noon, at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

ONE AUSTRALIAN MARE.

TERMS:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903. [1513]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the HIGH-TEAR, Supreme Court, to sell by Public Auction, for account of the Estate of the late F. O. EDLIN,

TUESDAY,

the 26th MAY, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

SUNDAY GOODS AND EFFECTS.

Comprising:—
TRAVELLING TRUNKS, BOOKS, CLOTHING, &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903. [1514]

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TUESDAY,

the 26th MAY, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

SUNDAY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE:

One YOST TYPEWRITER, Twelve Rolls JAPANESE WALL PAPER, and One NEW 12-BORE FOWLING PIECE by L. C. Smith, New York. (In Good Order and Condition).

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903. [1515]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW. THE Company's Steamship

HAITAN.

Captain Roush, will be despatched for the above port on TUESDAY, the 26th inst., at 11 A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903. [1512]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS is now ready and contains—

Leading Articles:—

Plague Returns.

The Currency of India and China.

The Navy League.

Empire Day.

The Gage Street Murder.

China Tea Trade.

Special Supplement:—

Chamber of Commerce Annual Report.

Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce.

Siberian Railway Projects.

The Straits Currency.

Supreme Court.

Famine in Kwangsi.

Hongkong Sanitary Board.

The Situation at Nanchang.

On the List.

R. P. Moffitt in the Colony.

A Day at the Magistracy.

Police Inspector Develops Plague.

Custom Notes.

A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.

The China Light and Power Co., Ltd.

Correspondence.

Birth and Death in the Colony.

Shanghai and the Navy League.

Golf Championship.

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Hongkong, 22nd May, 1903.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1896.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARKS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that YEE WO carrying on business at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and elsewhere as Merchants have, on the 9th day of MAY, 1903, applied for the registration in Hongkong in the Register of TRADE MARKS of the following TRADE MARKS:

1. The representation of two lobsters—under the said representation are the Chinese Characters 怡和洋行 meaning YEE WO FIRM.

2. The representation of a dragon chasing a fish and the fish is depicted entering into an arch over which are the Chinese Characters 鳌門.

3. The representation of two boys—between them is depicted a flower basket containing various kinds of fruits and near the base of the soil basket are the Chinese Characters 怡和洋行 meaning YEE WO FIRM.

The TRADE MARK No. 1 has been used by the applicants since the year 1900 and the TRADE MARKS No. 2 and 3 have been used by the applicants since the year 1901 all in respect of the following goods:

MATCHES IN CLASS 47.

Facsimiles of the TRADE MARKS can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and also at the Office of the undersigned.

Dated the 22nd day of May, 1903.

JOHN STOKES & MASTER,

Solicitors for the Applicants,

8, Des Voeux Road Central,

Hongkong. [1517]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"CHUSAN".

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:

From London, &c., ex.s.s. Arcadia.

From Calcutta, ex.s.s. Sumatra.

From Persian Gulf, ex.B.I.S.N. and B.P. & S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M. To-DAY, 22nd inst.

Goods not cleared by the 28th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1903. [1]

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

INSURANCE HOLIDAY.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 25th instant.

By Order,

W. HUTTON POTTS,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1903. [1507]

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN Accordance with Government Notification No. 308, the undermentioned Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 25th instant.

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

T. P. COCHERANE,

Acting Manager, Hongkong.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

J. R. M. SMITH,

Chief Manager.

For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

H. PINCKNEY,

Acting Chief Manager.

For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

EVAN ORMISTON,

Acting Manager, Hongkong.

For the DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

H. FIGGE,

Manager.

Per Pro. RUSSO-CHINESE BANK.

BANK OF SOUTH CHINA.

J. W. R. TAYLOR,

Managing Director.

For the GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

E. F. GROS,

Acting Manager.

BANK OF SOUTH CHINA.

J. W. R. TAYLOR,

Managing Director.

For the INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CHAS. R. SCOTT,

Manager.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1903. [1480]

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No. 43, CAINE ROAD. Nos. 1, 2 and 3, CORONATION TERRACE.

And others to suit various requirements.
S. A. SETH,
Land and Estate Broker,
Hongkong, 22nd May, 1903. [1396]

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WOODLANDS VILLA EAST, Seymour Road. Six-Roomed Semi-detached House. Good View of the Harbour.Apply to—
D'ALMADA & MILLAR,
16, Des Vaux Road Central,
Hongkong, 19th May, 1903. [1465]

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No. 2, CAMERON VILLAS, PEAK. For Two Months from middle of June.Apply—
H. W. BIRD,
Palmer & Turner,
Hongkong, 21st May, 1903. [1496]

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Nos. 1 & 3, MAGDALEN TERRACE, Corner houses, MAGAZINE GAP.Apply to—
SPANISH PROCURATION,
Hongkong, 1st January, 1903. [73]

GODOWNS TO LET.

PRAYA EAST. Spacious Two-storyed and Single-storyed Godowns. Suitable for Yarn or Coal.Also Land for Coal storage.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1903. [1002]

TO LET.

No. 7b, DUDDELL STREET (Godown).No. 5, STEWART TERRACE, PEAK. Furnished, from 1st June to 31st August, 1903.
"WESTBOURNE VILLA," NORTH BONHAM ROAD.

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Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903. [1046]

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FLATS in MORTON TERRACE, CAUSEWAY BAY, facing the Polo Ground No. 1, EPION TERRACE.

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1903. [71]

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TWO SPACIOUS NEW GODOWNS, very suitable for Dry Goods.Apply to—
M. W. LYSAUGHT,
163, Wan Chai Road.
Hongkong, 15th April, 1903. [1183]

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No. 3, STEWART TERRACE, the Peak.Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 8th April, 1903. [1108]

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FURNISHED, the BUNGALOW "FERNSIDE," PEAK, with Immediate Possession, to 30th June next.For Terms and Particulars, apply to—
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Hongkong, 7th May, 1903. [1363]

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Hongkong, 22nd May, 1903. [1494]

TO LET.

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DEACON & HASTINGS,
10, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1902. [76]

TO LET.

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H. N. MODY,
Victor Buildings.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1902. [82]

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2 Bath-rooms.
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Pantry, Kitchen, &c.
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Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [1453]

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Care of Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 16th May, 1903. [1438]

TO LET

TO LET UNFURNISHED.

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"COOMBE" MAGAZINE GAP. Available from 1st April.Apply—
Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 16th February, 1903. [152]

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HARTLEY, STONY BROOKE, and INGLEWOOD, RICHMOND ROAD.Apply to—
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Care of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1903. [150]

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MANAGERESS,
Macdonnell Road;FAIRALL & CO., Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1903. [691]

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Apply to—
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Kennedy Road.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1903.

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"GLENWOOD,"
21, CAINE ROAD.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1903. [915]

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1903.

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M. W. GREIG & CO.
Foghorn, 13th May, 1903.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that

Mr. LEUNG WAN-KWAI has ceased to be a JOINT PERMANENT SECRETARY of this Company.

By Order of the Board,

CHAN SHU-MING,
Permanent Secretary,
Hongkong, 19th May, 1903. [1486]

CHINA COMMERCIAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE OFFICES of the above Company have been OPENED at No. 35, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, 2ND FLOOR.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1903. [924]

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IMPORTERS, EXPORTERS AND MANUFACTURERS.

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Nos. 20 and 21, CONNAUGHT ROAD, opposite Douglas Pier.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1903. [1322]

NOTICE

AFTER the 25th MAY, 1903, L. FOO QUAI SUN, of the firm of SON LOY CHAN, SING KEE & CO., situate in No. 4, Victoria Street, next to Central Market, do hereby agree to sell my share of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) to LI CHUI EEN TONG.

Accounts of all debts caused by me on behalf of the Firm must be forwarded to the above Office before the above named date; if later than will not be recognised.

Also, I, FOO QUAI SUN, hereby certify

that I have lost my Share-book. If they are presented to the above named Company's Office after the 25th inst, it also will not be recognised.

FOO QUAI SUN.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1903. [1498]

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BY

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CHAPTER XVII.

"BETTER THAN NOTHING."

"What has happened?" said Hilda, quickly gazing from one to the other, and then at the dead man who lay a little way off.

"Our camp has been rushed by Ghazis, and they are in possession."

"But—has there been a fight? Have they killed anybody?"

They had killed some of the servants when that poor fellow broke some of our things. He was one of Mehrab Khan's tribemen. But our people were alive, he says."

"But we can't leave them, Mr. Raynier."

That is not spoken with your usual sense. Are we going to walk straight into the jaws of death? He knew that a *jihad*, or fanatical rising, was being fomented among the tribes further along the border, but that the *Gala* could not by any possibility take part in it. He had trusted Muslim Khan thoroughly, had reckoned the Nawab as no more likely to take up arms against the Government than himself.

Even while he had been speaking, his mind had rapidly reviewed the situation, and it was one that filled him with the gravest misgiving and concern.

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1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.
2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.

3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.
4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & BIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	BENGAL	Brit. str.	2 m.	A. L. Valentini	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
LONDON	PATROCLUS	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 25th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	MALACCA	Brit. str.	2 m.	A. F. Street	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 26th inst., at Noon.
LONDON	CALCHAS	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 4th June.
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	HYSON	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 20th June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP V. SHAI, &c.	OPOACK	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 14th July.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	KANAGAWA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	J. McKenna	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SALAZIE	Fren. str.	2 m.	Aubert	MESSENGERS MARITIMES	On 2nd June, at 11 A.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ALCINOUS	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 23rd June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	PELEUS	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 7th July.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	ZIETEN	Brit. str.	2 m.	B. Wilhelm	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 21st July.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	SCOGVIA	Gor. str.	2 m.	Fork	MELCHERS & CO.	On 27th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	STBASSBURG	Gor. str.	2 m.	Madsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 2nd June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SUEVIA	Gor. str.	2 m.	Borch	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 16th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	NURNBERG	Gor. str.	2 m.	Jaburg	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 30th June.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WURZBURG	Gor. str.	2 m.	v. Blizer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 14th July.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	BADENIA	Gor. str.	2 m.	Rorden	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 28th July.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	MELPOMENE	Aus. str.	2 m.	Tosoni	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 11th August.
GENOA, LONDON & ANTWERP	BEN MOHR	Brit. str.	2 m.	Wallace	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 30th inst., P.M.
NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL	PENDBROOKSHIRE	Brit. str.	2 m.		SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	On 3rd June.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	HUDSON	Brit. str.	2 m.		STANDARD OIL CO.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS	NUJIA	Ger. str.	2 m.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On or about 25th inst.
NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL	HEATHFORD	Brit. str.	2 m.		ARNHOLD, KABEER & CO.	On 2nd June.
NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL	CHARLES TIBERGREN	Brit. str.	2 m.		DODWELL & CO. LTD.	About 15th June.
NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	2 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 27th inst.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	2 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 3rd June, at Noon.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	VICTORIA	Brit. str.	2 m.	J. Pantin	DOODWELL & CO. LIMITED	To-day.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	AKI MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	J. W. Ekstrand	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd June, at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA NAGASAKI, &c.	LETEMACRUS	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 17th June.
PORTLAND, OREGON	INDRA SAMHA	Brit. str.	2 m.		PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 14th June.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EMPIRE	Brit. str.	2 m.		GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 3rd June, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI & KOBE	MANILA	Brit. str.	2 m.		P. & O. S. N. CO.	Or about 30th inst.
KOBE, NAGASAKI & VLADIVOSTOCK	SAVIA	Ger. str.	2 m.		MELCHERS & CO.	On 25th inst., at 5 P.M.
TONGKU	CAMBIDGE	Fren. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	About 27th inst.
CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	NAANCHANG	Brit. str.	2 m.		SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 1st June.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	VINOBONA	Aus. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-day.
SHANGHAI	SHANS	Brit. str.	2 m.		SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 28th inst.
SHANGHAI & HANKOW	WHAMPAO	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 26th inst.
SHANGHAI	PRINSESSE MARIE	Dan. str.	2 m.		MELCHERS & CO.	Or about 27th inst.
TAMSUI, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	MASILLA	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	About 6th June.
ANPING, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJIN MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-morrow.
FOOCHEW, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	MAIDZURU MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst.
SWATOW	TALES	Brit. str.	2 m.		OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 3rd June.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW	HAIFAN	Brit. str.	2 m.		Douglas LAPEAK & CO.	On 26th inst., at 11 A.M.
EBU & ILOIO	KAIFONG	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-day, at 10 A.M.
MANILA, DIRECT	RUBI	Brit. str.	2 m.		SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	On 27th inst., at 11 A.M.
MANILA, DIRECT	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		MELCHERS & CO.	On 30th inst., at 10 A.M.
JESSELTON, KUDAT & SANDAKAN	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	2 m.		ROSOH	Quick despatch.
SANDAKAN	BORNEO	Brit. str.	2 m.		P. & O. S. N. CO.	Quick despatch.
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO & BOMBAY	TAICHOI	Brit. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On or about 30th inst.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	TIENTSIN	Brit. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd June, at Noon.
	KAGOSHIMA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.			

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 21, HUDSON, British str., 2,376, J. Burnett, Shanghai 17th May, General—STANDARD OIL CO.

May 21, LENA, Norwegian str., 979, Borg, Chinkiang 16th May, Nuts, Peas, Oil—CARLOWITZ & CO.

May 22, CHOWTAN, German steamer, 1,115, H. Texier, Bangkok 14th May and Swatow 21st, Rice—N. D. LLOYD.

May 22, CHUSAN, British str., 2,852, W. W. Cooke, London 24th April, Bombay 6th May, and Singapore 17th, Meats and General—P. & O. S. N. CO.

May 22, IZUHIMA MARU, Japanese str., 2,301, M. Yagi, Singapore 16th May, Cotton, Twine, Onion, &c.—N. Y. KAISHA.

May 22, KWANGHUNG, Chinese str., 1,213, W. Blake, Shanghai 19th May, General—THE CHINESE.

May 22, NANGHAN, British str., 1,299, Stovell, Moji 16th May, Coal—BRADLEY & CO.

May 22, ROSETTA MARU, Japanese str., N. Tate, Manila 2th May, General—TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

May 22, SAFIE, Norwegian str., 854, Fagerland, Wuhan 16th May, Rice—OERKE.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

22nd May.

Achilles, British str. for Manila.

Fochior, British str. for Shanghai.

Lena, Norwegian str. for Canton.

Macne, Norwegian str. for Bangkok.

Robi, British str. for Canton.

Saphir, Norwegian str. for Canton.

Titan, British str. for Manila.

Yikang, British str. for Canton.

DEPARTURES.

21st May.

PROGRESS, Russian str., for Teuron. 22nd May.

CHUSAN, British str. for Shanghai.

EUROPA, British cruiser, for home.

FOOCHEW, British str. for Shanghai.

GARLIC, British str. for San Francisco.

GENIEK, British str. for Shanghai.

HAILOONG, British str. for Swatow.

LAOKE, Norwegian str. for Canton.

MACHEW, German str. for Bangkok.

QUEEN MARY, British str. for Manila.

SIMONIAN, Dutch str. for Batavia.

TSINAN, British str. for Australia.

TSINTAN, German str. for Bangkok.

YIKANG, British str. for Canton.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

22nd May.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—KOWLOON DOCKS.—Montane, Canton River.

San Joaquin, Tayabas, Hongkong Maru.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German steamer *Chutai*, from Bangkok 14th May and Swatow 21st, had fine weather with southerly winds and moderate seas during the whole passage.

The British steamer *Nanshan*, from Moji 16th May, had strong S.W. wind and rain at 30 N. From Tung Yung to Chapel Island dense fog; moderate S.E. wind and fine weather to port.

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Hongkong, 11th May, 1903.



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Hongkong, 18th May, 1903.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"YANGTSEZ"	On 4th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	On 9th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 15th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS"	On 20th June.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"STENTOR"	On 27th June.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON	"PATROCLUS"	On 25th May.
LONDON	"CALCHAS"	On 4th June.
LIVERPOOL VIA GENOA	"HYSON"	On 20th June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ANTENOR"	On 23rd June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ALCINOUS"	On 7th July.
LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	On 14th July.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PELEUS"	On 21st July.
Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.		

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST POINTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"TELEMACHUS"...	On 17th June.
The S.S. "PATROCLUS" left Shanghai at daylight on the 21st inst., and is due here on the 24th inst., a.m.		
The S.S. "OANFA" left Tacoma on the 14th inst. for Kobe and Hongkong.		
For Freight, apply to		

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1903.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO.
LIMITED.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"SHANSI"	On 25th May.
SHANGHAI	"WHAMPOA"	On 26th May.
CEBU and ILOOLO	"KAIFONG"	On 26th May.
CHEFOO and TIENSIN	"NANCHANG"	On 1st June.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

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Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903.

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HONGKONG MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships. Electric Light. Perfect Cuisine. Surgeon carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	FOR	SAILING DATE.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila Direct.	Sat, 23rd May, 10 A.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct.	Sat, 30th May, 10 A.M.
PERLA	1950	J. McGinty		

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOME'S & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1903.

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NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.
BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG,

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND

YOKOHAMA,

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA,

IN CONNECTION WITH

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	Sailing Date.
VICTORIA	J. Panion	3,502	May 23rd
SHAWMUT	W. M. Smith	3,606	May 30th
OLYMPIA	J. Trustbridge	2,827	June 24th
TACOMA	A. Dixon	2,812	July 6th

Steamers marked * have no passenger accommodation.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and to the Principal Cities in the United States and Canada.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL & COMPANY, LIMITED,
GENERAL AGENTS.

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HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI".

Captain Samuel Bell Smith.

DAILY Departure from Hongkong to Macao at 8 A.M. from Macao to Hong-

kong at 2 P.M. Sunday included.

1st Class fare (including cabin and servant),

2nd Class, \$1.50; return ticket, \$2.50.

3rd Class, \$1.

Steerage, \$0.50.

Superior cabin accommodation.

Wharf in Hongkong, opposite Central

Market; at Macao, C. M. S. N. Company's

Wharf.

For Freight, &c., apply to—

SAM WANG & CO., LTD.

81, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 29th April, 1903.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

HONGKONG—MANILA.

REDUCED SALOON PASSAGE

MONEY,

SINGLE, \$25; RETURN, \$40.

STEAMERS FITTED THROUGHOUT WITH

ELECTRIC LIGHT. FIRST CLASS ACCOM-

MODATION. UNRIVALLED TABLE. DULY

QUALIFIED SURGEON CARRIED.

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Hongkong, 1st May, 1903.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(With liberty to call at Philippine Ports).

PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG.
THE Steamship

"HUDSON"

will be despatched for the above ports on or about the 25th instant.

For Freight and further information, apply to

STANDARD OIL COMPANY

OF NEW YORK.

Oriental Freight Department,

Agents.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1903. [1418]

NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SANDAKAN.

Taking Cargo at Through Rates to KUDAT, TAWAO, LAHAD DATU AND LABUAN.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAICHOW."

Captain G. Schultz, will be ready to load for the above port on the 21st instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1903. [1490]

NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR JESSELTON, KUDAT AND SANDAKAN.

Taking Cargo at Through Rates to TAWAO, LAHAD DATU AND LABUAN.

THE Company's Steamship

"BORNEO."

Captain Mull, will be ready to load for the above ports on WEDNESDAY MORNING, the 27th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1903. [1491]

THE EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE DANISH Steamer

"PEINSESSE MARIE."

Captain Berntzen, will leave for the above ports on or about WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1903. [1492]

EST ASIATIQUE FRANCAIS.

THE French Steamer

"CAMBODGE."

Captain Declercq, will be ready to load on or about WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1903. [1493]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Inward Parcels by s.s. *Chusan* are now ready for delivery. Monday next, the 25th inst., having been declared a public holiday, the Post Office will be open for one hour only, i.e., from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. There will be a delivery at 9 a.m., and a clearance from the whole of the Pillar Boxes as on Sunday. The Night Box will be kept open. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DATE
Manila		Achilles
Manila		Saturday, 23rd, 8.00 A.M.
Swatow and Bangkok		Saturday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Canton		Saturday, 23rd, 9.30 A.M.
Moto. Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma		Saturday, 23rd, 10.00 A.M.
Moto. Kobe, Yokohama, Portland (Oregon) and Victoria, B.C.		Saturday, 23rd, 10.00 A.M.

EUROPE, &c. India via Tinticorin
(Lais Letters 10.10 to 11.30 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents)
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents)

Macao		Hengchuan
Shanghai		Saturday, 23rd, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai		Saturday, 23rd, 2.00 P.M.
Swatow		Saturday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.
Moto. Kobe		Saturday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.
Namao		Saturday, 23rd, 4.00 P.M.
Kobe		Saturday, 23rd, 5.00 P.M.
Daijin Maru		Saturday, 23rd, 6.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tainan		Sunday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.

TO-DAY.

Sale, Australian Mare, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, noon.
Japanese Acrobats, Praya (opposite the Central Market), 1.30 and 5.30 p.m.
Spoons Competition, Hongkong, Rifle Association, 2.30 p.m.
Smoking Concert, St. Andrew's Hall, 9 p.m.
Performance, Theatre Royal, City Hall, 9 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

22nd May.

ON LONDON.—	Telegraphic Transfer	1/81
	Bank Bills, on demand	1/81
	Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/81
	Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/81
	Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/81
	Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	1/81
ON PARIS.—	Bank Bills, on demand	214
	Credits, at 4 months' sight	214
ON GERMANY.—	On demand	174
ON NEW YORK.—	Bank Bills, on demand	413
	Credits, 60 days' sight	424
ON HAMBURG.—	Telegraphic Transfer	1263
ON CALCUTTA.—	Telegraphic Transfer	1261
ON SHANGHAI.—	Bank, on demand	127
ON YOKOHAMA.—	Bank, at sight	711
ON YOKOHAMA.—	Private, 30 days' sight	714
ON MANILA.—	On demand	831
ON SINGAPORE.—	Par.	
ON SINGAPORE.—	On demand	Nominal
ON JAPANIA.—	On demand	103
ON FAIRFONG.—	On demand	24 p.c. pm.
ON SAIGON.—	On demand	2 p.c. pm.
ON BANGKOK.—	On demand	62
	SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.60
	GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	\$61.30
	BIR SILVER, per oz	25

OPAUM.

22nd May.

Quotations are—	Allowing net to 1 centy.
Malwa New	... \$360 to \$170 per picul
Malwa Old	... \$160 to \$140 "
Malwa Older	to — "
Malwa V. Old	... \$170 to \$180 "
Persian fine quality	\$800 " "
Persian extra fine	to — "
Patna New	... \$1012 to — per chest.
Patna Old	... \$1012 to — "
Burma New	... \$1013 to — "
Burma Old	... \$1012 to — "

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIIS.
The Imperial German mail steamer *Zetzen* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 19th inst., and may be expected here on the 20th inst.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Reon* left Colombo on the 16th inst., a.m., and may be expected here on the 23rd inst.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Catherline Apeir*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the 19th inst., p.m.

The Indo-Chine steamer *Nansang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits, on the 17th inst., and is expected here on the 2nd prox.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of China* arrived at Nagasaki at 7.30 a.m. on the 22nd inst., and left again at 9 a.m. same day for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at 9.30 p.m. to-day.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The C.O.N. steamer *Nanchang* left Tientsin for this port via Chefoo on the 14th inst.

The "Ben" Line steamer *Bengalond*, from London and Antwerp, left Singapore on the 16th inst. for this port.

The C.S.S. steamer *Patrolus* left Shanghai on the 21st inst., a.m., and is due here to-morrow a.m.

The steamer *Princess Marie* left Singapore on the 13th inst., and may be expected here on the 25th inst.

The N.Y.K. steamer *Aki Maru* (American Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 21st inst., and is expected here on the 24th inst.

The steamer *Cambodge* will leave Haiphong on the 25th inst.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s steamer *Pleiades* left Vladivostock for Taku on the 4th inst.

The N.P. steamer *Victoria* arrived at Yokohama on the 2nd inst.

The P. & A. steamer *Indrasamha* left Portland (Or.) for this port via Japan on the 3rd inst., and may be expected here on the 3rd prox.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s steamer *Lysa* left Victoria for Vladivostock, Port Arthur, Dalny and Taku on the 3th inst.

The C.N. steamer *Chingtu*, from Australian ports, left Sydney on the 13th inst., and is due here on the 5th prox.

The Boston Steamship Co.'s steamer *Tremont* left Victoria, B.C., for Yokohama on the 11th inst. for Kobe and Hongkong.

The C.M. steamer *Oreia* left Tacoma for Yokohama on the 16th inst., p.m.



Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus Rot, and Dampness.

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Hongkong, 1st July, 1902.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 22nd May.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"STUTTGART."

OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 P.M., To-DAY, the 19th May.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 23rd of May will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Monday, the 25th May, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 29th May, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1903.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, FIUME, PORT SAID.

ADELAIDE, BOMBAY, COLOMBO,

PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"VINDOBONA"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the undersigned before NOON, on the 23rd of May, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 23rd of May will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SANDER, WIELE & CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1903.

STEAMSHIP "OCEANIEN."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. *Malapay*, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON, to-day, the 16th inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Saturday, the 23rd inst., at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 23rd inst., or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on Saturday, the 23rd inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1903.

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McGREGOR BROS & GOW.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1903.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUMSANG"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.